

## 16 AMERICAN SURVIVORS ARE LANDED

Marina's Lost Number 13, and It Is Thought Probable That There Were Americans Among Them, Reports Consul Frost to the American Embassy

### THERE WAS NO WARNING, SAY SURVIVORS

Second Torpedo Fire Blew the Steamer Apart, and Seven Men Were Killed While Trying to Get into Lifeboats — Sailors Saw Wake of the Torpedo but Thought It Was a Fish

London, Oct. 31.—The number missing from the British steamship *Marina*, which was torpedoed by a submarine off the Irish coast, has been reduced to 13, according to a telegram to the American embassy to-day from Wesley Frost, consul at Queenstown. Fifty-two more survivors have been landed.

Consul Frost reports that among the 13 lost there will probably be American fatalities. The *Marina* sank within ten minutes after being torpedoed, Frost reported. He said survivors stated it was torpedoed without warning.

A private telegram received to-day from Corkhaven by American Consul-General Skinner says that among the survivors from the *Marina* landed at Corkhaven are sixteen Americans, including Frank Howard Smith, a veterinary surgeon.

According to a telegram to Consul-General Skinner, the weather was unusually severe at the time the *Marina* was sunk. The vessel was first struck amidship and a terrific explosion occurred. A second torpedo struck the bow and the steamer went down almost immediately in two parts. It is reported that seven men were killed while trying to get into lifeboats. The sailors saw the wake of a torpedo but thought it a fish.

### FRIGHTFUL PANIC WHEN GREEK SHIP WAS ATTACKED

Many Passengers Threw Themselves Overboard and Were Drowned—Fifty or More Lost Their Lives

Paris, Oct. 31.—A Havas despatch from Athens quotes the captain of the steamer *Angeliki* as saying his vessel was torpedoed without notice by a German submarine. His despatch describes the vessel as a passenger steamer. There was a frightful panic and many threw themselves overboard and were drowned, the despatch continues. Fifty or more lost their lives.

### NEITHER WILSON NOR LANSING WILL TALK

Both Declare That the Evidence Is Yet Too Incomplete for Them to Make Statement on the Marina Case.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 31.—Secretary Lansing said to-day that the reports of the destruction of the *Marina*, with the probable loss of American lives, was still too incomplete to permit of any conclusions or to allow him to discuss the case. Fuller reports, with the affidavits of the American survivors, have been ordered by cable.

Long Branch, N. J., Oct. 31.—President Wilson this morning was still without sufficient definite information concerning the submarine attacks on vessels carrying Americans, reported yesterday, to reach a conclusion. It was said here that he had given instructions that as soon as conclusive facts were gathered by the state department, they should be forwarded to him.

### THREE MEN ARRESTED On Charge of Breaking Into Wallace Store in East Ryegate.

St. Johnsbury, Oct. 31.—James Brown and Peter Roskin, claiming Colorado as their residence, and William Burke of Bridgeport, Conn., were arrested in the railroad yard at Woodville, N. H., yesterday on a charge of breaking and entering the store of George W. Wallace at East Ryegate early yesterday morning. The men were arraigned in municipal court and placed under bonds of \$1,000 for appearance at the December term of Caledonia county court. The booty obtained in the break consisted of 51 cents and some cigars and cigarettes, but the case is complicated from the fact that the postoffice is located in the Wallace store and the government may take up the matter.

In city court this morning Magistrate H. W. Scott doled out a sentence of 30 days in the county jail and assessed a fine of \$15 and costs on Gustave Johnson of West Fairlee, who made his seventh bow before the judge. Johnson said he procured liquor to make him drunk in Woodville, N. H., and Barre, but did not choose to make a more definite disclosure.

## WILSON DECLARES CHARGE UNTRUE

Says No Postscript Was Ever Written or Contemplated by Him But He Inserted Words to Make Note Stronger.

Long Branch, N. J., Oct. 31.—President Wilson last night characterized as "untrue" the statement made by Senator Henry Cabot Lodge of Massachusetts to the effect that the president had seriously considered adding a weakening postscript to his "strict accountability" Lusitania note.

The president telegraphed to Walter Lippmann of New York, editor of the *New York Republic*, replying to a message from Mr. Lippmann regarding Senator Lodge's statement. The president's telegram follows:

"In reply to your telegram let me say that the statement made by Senator Lodge is untrue. No postscript or amendment was written or contemplated by me except such pages that I myself inserted which strengthened and emphasized the protest. It was suggested after the note was ready for transmission that an information be conveyed to the German government that a proposal for arbitration would be acceptable and one member of the cabinet spoke to me about it, but it was never discussed in cabinet meeting and no threat of any resignation was ever made, for the very good reason that I rejected the suggestion after giving it such consideration as I thought every proposal deserved which touched so grave a matter.

"It was inconsistent with the purpose of the note. The public is in possession of everything that was said to the German government."

(Signed) "Woodrow Wilson."

### LODGE REPEATS CHARGE.

And Reads Letter on the Lusitania Postscript Case.

Fitchburg, Mass., Oct. 31.—Senator Lodge in the course of a campaign speech here last night read a letter from John Temple Lloyd Jeffries of Boston, in which the writer stated that Henry Breckenridge, former assistant secretary of war, had several times made to him remarks similar to those attributed to him by Dr. Charles H. Bailey of Tufts college concerning the alleged elimination by President Wilson of a weakening postscript from the "strict accountability" note to Germany.

A letter from Dr. Bailey regarding a conversation he had with Mr. Breckenridge on the subject was read by Senator Lodge at a public meeting Saturday night and the senator in his address last night said he presented the letter from Mr. Jeffries "as additional evidence."

The letter follows: "Dear Senator Lodge: I have noted in Boston papers your remarks connecting President Wilson with a postscript to one of the so-called notes. According to the papers you state that the effect of this postscript was to vitiate the force of the note, purposely to inform the imperial government that vigor displayed in earlier parts of the note was designed for Anglo-American consumption solely. According to the press accounts this postscript was added rather surreptitiously and under star chamber proceedings and was withdrawn only because the few many members of the cabinet happened to discover its existence by luck, and naturally threatened to turn the government upside down.

"Assuredly, sir, I deeply regret being drawn into this affair, but I can not sit idly by and see you called a liar when I know your statements are true.

"My friend, Major Breckenridge, several times made to me remarks similar to those reported by Prof. Bailey. I cannot swear to every minute detail, for my memory is only human; but the general substance of your statement is correct to my personal knowledge.

"As I have telegraphed to Major Breckenridge to tell him of my proposed action and as his remarks were not secret, and as Prof. Bailey has already involved the major, I feel obliged to state that I know your statement is true. With regard to Major Breckenridge, he is one of the finest examples of the American gentleman, and his distinguished family has been famous for its chivalry in the South for years. His statement also is unquestionably true beyond any possibility of doubt.

"Believe me, dear Senator Lodge,

"Yours truly,

(Signed) "John Temple Lloyd Jeffries."

### MONTPELIER

Mrs. Rozilla Cadman Ordered Committed to State Hospital.

Mrs. Rozilla Cadman of Middlesex was ordered committed to state hospital at Waterbury yesterday afternoon following a hearing held before Probate Judge Frank Martin. The petition for the woman's commitment having been made by the village selectmen. The petition of the Barre city council to have Ernest Pegeni of Barre City placed in the same institution was partially heard and continued until Saturday. E. D. Waldo of Cabot was appointed administrator of the estate of Rolla A. Sabin, late of Cabot.

The condition of Miss Josephine Brown, who has been ill for some time at her home on Main street, was reported to-day as being very serious.

Dr. M. F. McGuire has gone to New York City to spend a month while recuperating from his recent illness.

The adjourned annual meeting of the St. Bernard club, which is located near Montreal, but has a number of local persons as members, was held yesterday afternoon at the Montpelier Country club with a banquet in the evening. Sixteen members of the club participated in the business meeting and at the dinner plates were laid for twenty. The following officers were elected: President, A. B. Tenney of Boston; vice-president, J. S. Patrick, Burlington; secretary, J. G. Brown, Montpelier; treasurer, Levi H. Rixby, Montpelier; director, H. N. Simpson, New York; auditor, C. F. Lowe, Montpelier.

Assistant Fire Chief Ernest A. Powers, Clarence Lall and Wilbur L. Lawrence left this forenoon for New York, being among the few from this city who took advantage of the special excursion rates.

## ALLIES MOVE IN MACEDONIA

The French Took Possession of Singieri Monastery

### FIGHTING WAS NEAR LAKE PRESBA

Sofia Declares That the Attacks Were Repulsed

Paris, Oct. 31.—On the Macedonian front, west of Lake Presba, yesterday the French and Serbians made further progress, the war office announced to-day. The French took possession of Singieri monastery.

London, Oct. 31.—There was violent fighting Sunday along the whole Serbian front in Macedonia; especially on the left bank of the Cerna, according to official announcement to-day. At Reka, German and Bulgarian prisoners were taken.

### COMPARATIVE LULL ON WESTERN FRONT; ARTILLERY ACTIVE

There Was Considerable Shelling in the Vicinity of Douaumont and Vaux on Verdun Front—Paris War Office Reports.

Paris, Oct. 31.—The war office reports no event of importance on the Somme or Verdun fronts last night except for active artillery fighting in the vicinity of Douaumont and Vaux before Verdun.

London, Oct. 31.—With the exception of intermittent shelling on both sides, there was nothing to report during last night, reads to-day's official British statement regarding the operations on the Franco-Belgian front.

### BULGARIANS CLAIM VICTORY.

Defeated Serbians Who Attacked Most Bitterly.

Sofia, Monday, via London, Tuesday, Oct. 31.—A series of desperate attacks by the Serbians in the Verna river region, southeast of Monastir on the Macedonian front, resulted in sanguinary defeat for them, the war office announced to-day. In the Moglenia region, to the east, the Bulgarian troops expelled the Serbians from the trenches in the vicinity of Nonte.

### RUSSIANS GAIN IN VOLHYNIA

Captured Austro-German First Line Trenches and Then Repulsed Counter-Attack.

Petrograd, via London, Oct. 31.—A heavy attack yesterday by the Russian forces in Volhynia resulted in the capture of Austro-German first line trenches, the war office announced to-day. Counter-attacks were repulsed by the Russians.

### ON EVERY FRONT GERMANS WON

Official Statement Issued in Berlin Tells of Successes By Kaiser's Armies.

Berlin, via wireless, Oct. 31.—The efforts of Rumanians to capture positions along the Transylvanian frontier yesterday were without success, the war office announced to-day. Since Oct. 10 Austrians and Germans have captured more than 10,000 Rumanians.

Attempts of French and British to advance on the Somme front yesterday were defeated by the Germans, the statement says. Russian troops yesterday attacked German lines in the Shara district, but met with a sanguinary repulse; the announcement declares.

Engagements in Berestek, in the region of the Lemberg front in Galicia and along the upper Styre resulted favorably for the Germans. Southeast of Lemberg Turkish troops took several Russian positions.

### FOUND NO AUTOMOBILE.

Burlington Police Mystified When They Went to Examine "Abandoned" Car.

Burlington, Oct. 31.—An automobile which had stood in the yard of the Standard Oil Co. in the northern part of the city for several days and which was thought to be abandoned, was missing when the police went to the place this morning to make an investigation. People who had seen the car there thought it had been abandoned.

### COMPOSER WAS VERMONT.

Silas G. Pratt, Who Died at Pittsburg, Was Born in Addison.

Pittsburg, Pa., Oct. 31.—Silas Gamaliel Pratt, aged 70, a concert pianist and composer of note, is dead here, it became known to-day. He was born in Addison, Vt. He composed the lyric opera, "Zenobia," and organized and directed the Chicago grand opera festival.

### BRITISH CASUALTIES IN OCTOBER 107,035

London, Oct. 31.—British casualties reported in October in all the war areas are: Officers, 4,331; men, 102,702.

### TO GO TO ASYLUM.

George W. Duncan, Wife Slayer, to Be Held for Observation.

Rutland, Oct. 31.—That George W. Duncan will not be allowed his freedom until he has been in the state asylum at Waterbury for observation by experts was announced in chambers yesterday by Judge Fred M. Butler. No objection was offered by Duncan's counsel, Attorneys J. C. Jones and E. H. O'Brien, and it is probable he will go to the institution within a few days. Later it is likely there will be a hearing to determine the condition of the man's mind. State's Attorney C. V. Poulin appeared for the state.

Duncan shot his wife on the night of August 5 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Dezero on Library avenue. The woman died the following night. Two weeks ago after trial in the county court, Duncan was found not guilty of murder by reason of insanity at the time of the shooting.

Yesterday afternoon Judge Butler called the attorneys in the case into his chambers at the county court house and said, in part:

"We feel that Mr. Duncan should not be allowed his liberty until he has been under observation of some state expert who will determine the present status of his mind. According to our understanding, the jury returned a verdict of not guilty by reason of insanity at the time of the shooting and we shall not permit him to be at large until satisfied that this condition of the mind will not return.

"We clearly instructed the jury that irresistible impulse or emotional insanity alone was not an excuse for the justification of crime unless it was the product of a diseased mind. Now, then, either the jury followed instructions and found that this man's mind was diseased at the time of the shooting, or else the jury went contrary to instructions and the verdict should be set aside. We have, therefore, decided not to release Duncan without an examination."

### FORMER BARRE TEACHER.

Mrs. Nellie E. Thompson Died in Waterbury Last Night.

Waterbury, Oct. 31.—Mrs. Nellie E. Thompson, wife of William Thompson, a former teacher in the public schools of Barre, died last night at her home on Main street after an illness of several weeks. Mrs. Thompson is survived by her husband and by four sisters and two brothers as follows: Mrs. Elmer Crawford of Waterbury, Mrs. Mary Barney of Lawrence, Mass., Miss Nancy Ryan of Lowell, Mass., and Mrs. Barney Carney of Montpelier, Patrick Ryan of Montpelier and John Ryan of this town. There are also several nephews and nieces.

The deceased was born in Waterbury 48 years ago and received her education in the public schools here and the Green Mountain seminary at Waterbury Center. Twenty years ago she was engaged as a teacher in the public schools of Barre and remained there several years. Her marriage to Mr. Thompson took place in Waterbury 14 years ago. Mrs. Thompson was a woman of genial disposition and held in high esteem by her townpeople. She was a member of the Episcopian club and belonged to the altar guild of St. Andrew's and St. Andrew's church. Funeral arrangements are not completed.

### MRS. MARGARET AREY

Died at Her Home on the Montpelier Road To-day.

Mrs. Margaret (Fernald) Arey, wife of the late E. T. Arey, died at her home on the Montpelier road this morning at 8:40 o'clock, the end following a long illness. Death was due to a cancer. Mrs. Arey is survived by her daughter, Mrs. E. J. Purvis of Waterbury Center, and by two sons, Alton L. Arey of Cleveland, O., and Vinal A. Arey of Barre, an employee of the Barre & Montpelier Traction & Power Co. Her husband died in Waterbury Center in the spring of 1915. The deceased was born in Vinal Haven, Me., Oct. 4, 1859. She had been a resident of Barre for the past 20 years and was a member of Harmony Rebekah lodge of this city.

The funeral will be held at the house Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. J. B. Reardon, pastor of the Barre Universalist church, will be the officiating clergyman and interment will be made in Hope cemetery.

### FRESH CIDER SECURED

For the Goose Green-Squag Holler Social Function.

A cider man from Topham was in the city to-day to close a deal with the Goose Green-Squag Holler committee for a large quantity of fresh cider, which is to be served with the doughnuts and popcorn at the playground benefit dance in Howland hall Wednesday evening. Apple juice of the brownest October brew is to be provided by the Topham purveyor and there are plenty of dealers who are willing to guarantee the rest of the harvest. The committee wishes to emphasize the fact that dancers in costume will be allowed to dance at the outset, even though they are not masked, as the affair is primarily a costume dance. People who attend and are not in costume must keep on the sidelines until after the fourth inning. The admission fee for unescorted women has been advanced to 50 cents in order to head off scalpers and male patrons must expect to cough through the dollar charge. Least deception be practiced by designing males, the chief of police is to be stationed at the door to ward off all allies.

### PINNED AGAINST WALL.

Mark Sibley Seriously Injured by Auto at Bellows Falls.

Bellows Falls, Oct. 31.—The fourth serious automobile accident within four days occurred here yesterday afternoon when an automobile driven by D. H. Cushion, manager of a local hotel, struck Mark Sibley, a fireman at a local paper mill, fracturing his leg in two places below the knee.

Sibley, who came here a week ago yesterday from Barre was standing looking in Fenton A. Honess's window in the square. The automobile got beyond the control of Mr. Cushion and jumped the curbstone, pinned the victim of the accident against the building and driving his body through a large plate glass window. Sibley's left leg was fractured and his right hand cut by the glass. The machine was not damaged.

## URGENT NEED OF BUILDING

Pressed on Goddard Trustees by Principal Hollister

### ANNUAL MEETING WAS HELD TO-DAY

Optimistic Reports of the School's Condition Given

Trustees of Goddard seminary gathered at the school on the hill this forenoon at 10 o'clock for their annual meeting. There was a representative gathering of the men who are directing the affairs of the institution and after an uneventful business session in which the reports of Prin. O. K. Hollister and other officers were received and officers elected for 1916-1917, adjournment was taken at noon and dinner was served in Alumni hall. Prin. Hollister reviewed at length the progress made in school affairs since the last annual gathering and cited some of the things which Goddard needs if it is to continue its work as an educational factor in Vermont. Other reports indicated that the school is solidly grounded financially and that more and more parents and guardians have come to regard Goddard as an ideal home school.

Few changes were made in the official slate. Fred Blanchard of Montpelier succeeds Don V. Camp as a member of the executive committee and O. L. Martin is added to the auditing committee. The following officers, therefore, were elected: President, Charles H. Darling, LL. D., of Burlington; vice-president, William H. Gladding of Randolph; treasurer, Harvey E. Averill of Barre; secretary, Harvey E. Averill; executive committee, C. H. Darling, Ira C. Calef of Washington, Arthur D. Farwell of Montpelier, C. N. Kenney of Barre, Fred Blanchard of Montpelier, Homer C. Ladd of Barre, Ernest J. Hewitt of South Royalton and Homer Fitts of Barre; committee on endowment fund, Ira C. Calef, Albert Johnson of Montpelier and W. H. Gladding; auditors, S. D. Allen of Barre, Clark King of Montpelier and O. L. Martin of Plainfield; steward, Charles Beals of Barre.

This afternoon at 2 o'clock the trustees convened to discuss some of the recommendations made by the several committees. It was expected that adjournment sine die would be taken late in the afternoon.

Guy R. Varnum of Barre was elected a member of the board of trustees to succeed George R. Milne, whose death occurred last spring. The following trustees were present: Mr. Darling, Clark King, Ira C. Calef, Dr. Charles A. Gale of Rutland, S. D. Allen, W. H. Gladding, Homer Fitts, C. N. Kenney, Arthur D. Farwell, Charles A. Chapman of Ferrisburgh, George H. Clark of East Montpelier, Prof. O. K. Hollister, E. J. Hewitt, Homer C. Ladd, H. E. Averill, Fred Blanchard, Rev. George F. Fortier of St. Albans, O. L. Martin and William Barclay.

### Principal Hollister's Report.

"To the Honorable Board of Trustees, Gentlemen:

"In presenting my annual report I desire to make some comparisons between the school of to-day and the one when I became principal in 1897. Those twenty years have been the critical period in the life of every private school. Nearly all of the Vermont schools have either gone to the wall or become the local high school of their communities. Goddard is one of the very few that has lived through these hard times. Our attendance in 1897 was 120. Our permanent fund was \$29,969. Our attendance this year is 280 and our fund has grown to \$169,000. Courses in domestic science and teacher training have been added. The present policy of the executive committee in responding to the demand for new courses and proper equipment, the keeping of good teachers in our service instead of letting them go to other schools as soon as they have become valuable, has been a great factor in raising the school to the high standard that it enjoys to-day.

"Four years ago the new building was constructed which has increased accommodations for equipment and recreation work. The growth of the school since then has been remarkable. Three years ago this fall our registration was 183. In this short time practically 100 students have been added, the increase this year being 43. One hundred and fifty-eight new students have entered this fall, 38 more than we had in all three years ago. Of these new students 80 are boys, an unusual condition. Our students come from eight states and Canada. We are drawing students from a wider area each year. Many are coming for the last year of the course or after graduating from other schools to secure the preparation for college that we give. We have 15 additions to our senior class this fall and most of them plan to enter college.

"Our problem now is, what to do with the students that want to come here. Our buildings are taxed to their utmost capacity. Three and four students are living in some rooms and others are living in the city. These conditions are not right. We ought to provide suitable accommodations for all. In my report of last year I urged the necessity of another building. The need of it to-day is still more urgent. During the year I have not found the one who will give the money for such a building, but the search for that person is going to continue. We must have the building. I see a more glorious future for the school than it has ever known. There is no question about it. Goddard is destined to be one of the great educational institutions of the East if we are only true to the trust that the men and women of the last generation have placed upon us.

"In 1919 we celebrate our fiftieth anniversary. This should be made a memorable occasion. We have achievements to celebrate besides the fact that the school has lived for fifty years. We should dedicate the new dormitory at that time. A committee should be appointed at this

meeting to have the celebration in charge and plan a program worthy of the occasion.

"These are certainly great days for Goddard but there are still greater days to come. We must not say, 'The school is large enough now and we will turn students away in the future.' Such a policy would be contrary to all our traditions. From the very first the school has attempted to serve the boys and girls from families of moderate means who wanted to come here. Through all these years we have kept prices down and to-day most of our students are paying only \$4 a week for board, room, heat, light and washing. The donors to our permanent fund have given because we were attempting to serve this class of boys and girls. To limit our numbers now, to refuse to provide more dormitories is, I believe, breaking faith with those noble men and women who have worked and sacrificed and given, that the Goddard of to-day might become a reality.

"As soon as we limit our numbers we change our policy completely, and notify our constituency and the public that the Goddard of the next 50 years is going to be a different institution from the one they have loved and served. There will then be no argument against raising prices and we shall soon follow the other private schools of New England. The children from wealthy families must be sought. Our constituency will change. The peculiar service which Goddard has tried to give and which has been such a source of pride to so many of us will be a thing of the past. Gentlemen, do you want this? Think seriously on these things.

Respectfully submitted,  
O. K. Hollister,  
Principal.

### AUTOMOBILE HUNG ON EDGE OF BRIDGE ON BERLIN STREET

Just After It Struck the Railing Last Night Three Men Piled Out of the Vehicle—The Machine Still Remains There.

A Cadillac touring car of battleship gray hue and bearing the license number of 14507 hung over the parapet of the west bridge abutment on Berlin street at daybreak this morning and was still suspended at 2 o'clock this afternoon. A thin pipe railing prevented the car from going over the brink of the wall into Stevens branch and to that same pipe three occupants of the auto, probably over their lives, there is much mystery about the car and the police of Barre are not the only ones who are at work on the unraveling. Through Chief Russell of the Burlington police force, Mrs. Alexander Butler of 62 George street, Burlington, has asked the local authorities to aid her in locating her husband, who left home early last evening after telling his wife that the Cadillac would carry him either to Barre or Fairfield.

A car with two wheels hanging over the bridge parapet at Berlin street indicates that he chose Barre. Two headlamps are smashed and the bumper bears the marks of contact with something that resisted the progress of the car. Otherwise the auto appears to be undamaged. Just where Butler and his two companions went after the accident is an interesting part of the mystery.

People who live in the immediate vicinity of the bridge say that a Cadillac car that might pass for the battleship gray outfit came down Berlin street around 11 o'clock last night. A cab was heard and one person who looked out of his window saw three men piling out of the machine. One wheel was poised over the stream, but the others were anchored to terra firma and securely grounded there, it seemed, by the presence of the iron rail that starts at the bridge entrance and continues along the parapet. It is stated that the men appeared to be working to release the Cadillac until 1:30 o'clock this morning. At that hour a car of less ample proportion, a Ford, called at the bridge and relieved the weary workmen. The driver of the smaller car headed his vehicle toward Montpelier and after that Berlin street people, at least those who live at the east end of the thoroughfare, heard no more of the tinkering.

This morning police headquarters was apprised of the presence of the car and when mid-forenoon arrived and no one had appeared to claim the auto, Chief Sinclair got in touch by telephone with the office of the secretary of state at Essex Junction. Guy W. Bailey informed the chief that the license number, 14507, had been assigned to Alexander Butler, a Burlington man. The chief's description of the marooned Berlin street auto tallied with the data on file at the secretary's office. Then Chief Sinclair telephoned to the office of Chief Russell in Burlington and learned that a man named Alexander Butler lived at 62 George street in that city. Near noon to-day word was received at police headquarters here which indicated that Mrs. Butler was much alarmed over her husband's whereabouts.

### Mrs. Butler Sent Another Car to Barre.

Burlington, Oct. 31.—Alexander Butler of George street, whose Cadillac car was found hanging over the edge of a bridge in Barre this morning, left Burlington in the machine last evening, telling his wife that he was going either to Fairfield or to Barre. Mrs. Butler had not heard from her husband directly to-day but was interviewed by the Burlington police in response to a call from Barre. On learning of the circumstances of the car being found in Barre, Mrs. Butler sent a man in their office car, a Ford, to Barre, to learn more about what had happened.

### STATE FIREMEN ASSEMBLED For Annual Meeting and Banquet of the State Association.

The annual meeting of the Vermont State Firemen's association opened at 2 o'clock this afternoon in the memorial room of the city hall at Montpelier with a large attendance and it is expected that between 75 and 100 members will be in the city to attend the banquet this evening. The business meeting and election of officers is expected to occupy most of the afternoon, the association being interested in promoting some scheme to have a fund created for the benefit of firemen in the state who are injured or killed while in pursuit of their duties. The banquet will be held at 6 o'clock in Eagles' hall.

## WOMAN GETS HER RELEASE

Miss Mildred Brewster, in Asylum Nearly 20 Years, Is to Go Free

### ORDER WAS ISSUED BY COURT TO-DAY

Woman Released Annie Wheeler; Was and Not Guilty Because Insane

An order releasing Mildred Brewster, for nearly a score of years an inmate of the state hospital for the insane at Waterbury, was made by Judge Frank L. Fish in Washington county court this morning, the order, however, being provisional, placing the woman in charge of Sheriff Frank H. Tracy. Sheriff Tracy will accompany Miss Brewster to Bellingham, Wash., where she has been offered a home. The officer will investigate conditions and if he deems them satisfactory will allow her to stay.

Miss Brewster was committed to the state hospital in 1897 following her trial for the murder of Annie Wheeler in Montpelier, the jury finding her not guilty by reason of insanity. She was released from the institution eight years ago and made her home in Hardwick, but was returned. She tried to commit suicide upon her return, but failed in the attempt and several weeks ago the supervisors of the insane, believing with other experts that she was not insane, brought a petition for her release. Their action was not approved of by Supt. Grout of the hospital and he with two other members of the hospital staff testified during the hearing held last week that she was not a fit person to have her liberty.

Miss Brewster was recalled to the stand yesterday afternoon by the state's attorney and asked what plans she had in mind should she be released. She told the court that she planned to go to Bellingham, Wash., to reside, that she would not resent it if placed under some restraint and had enough money to travel across the continent.

### Thornton Trial Started To-day.

A jury was drawn this forenoon to try the case of State vs. Wilbur Thornton of Grantham, N. H., charged with assault and robbery on John Collett in Barre Oct. 20. J. Ward Carver represents the respondent and the state's attorney is conducting the prosecution.

The jury is as follows: Charles Bullock, W. L. Mann, N. H. Hill, W. L. Stone, J. P. Hutton, C. P. Spaulding, T. B. Kendall, George Cooper, J. F. Moloney, Howard Curtis, E. A. Lamphere and Alvah Newhall. The information filed against Thornton charges him with stealing a watch and three dollars in money from Collett.

Collett was on the stand a considerable part of the forenoon. He testified to meeting Thornton in Barre, after which they made the rounds of the saloons, going then to Jack's luncheon on Depot square. From there, the witness continued, they went to the platform of the Montpelier & Wells River railroad near by, and it was there that Thornton attacked and robbed him. Collett then told of going with an officer to the Central Vermont station, where they found Thornton. Witness said he was present when the officer put his hand in a pocket of Thornton's mackinaw coat and pulled out his (Collett's) watch. Collett testified that he bought all the drinks that night.

This latter part of the testimony the defense tried to refute by showing that Thornton had money and that he paid for share of the drinks.

After Collett's testimony had been finished, John Cayhne, proprietor of a saloon in Barre, was called to the stand. He testified to seeing Collett in his saloon and he also told of being at the station when the officer pulled a watch out of Thornton's coat. Cayhne was still on the stand when court took a recess for dinner.

### Coia Committed for Observation.

Another chapter in a shooting affray which occurred on North Seminary street in Barre one Sunday in early October was written to-day when Pasquale Coia was ordered committed to the state hospital in Waterbury for observation. Coia was charged with shooting with intent to kill and for a fortnight after the row he was lodged in the county jail, only to obtain his release a week ago when friends furnished bail of \$10,000 for his appearance in court this week. Coia had been living in Brook street and the trouble which led to